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1. Prior to 20 March 1954, the troops stationed at Eberswalde still were the same as indicated in previous reports. Extensive activities were observed inside and outside the barracks installations. Recruits were being trained outside the billeting area. Individual detachments were observed receiving combat training and training with heavy weapons. Record practices involving armored vehicles, AT guns, AA guns and submachine guns were almost daily held on the Tramps training grounds. On 20 March 1954, the Schuetzen Kaserne (4342) was apparently occupied to capacity by an estimated 4,400 soldiers. Heavy weapons observed in the installation [redacted] AT guns and 80-mm mortars. Motor vehicles observed at the site [redacted]

25X1 From 80 to 100 sidecar motorcycles were housed in two motor-vehicle storage sheds of the installation.<sup>1</sup>

2. About 4,000 soldiers were quartered at the Artillerie Kaserne (4341) prior to 20 March 1954. On 21 and 22 March 1954, numerous detachments marched from this installation to the Eberswalde railroad station for entraining. Nine T-34 tanks, 5 SP guns, 10 x 35-mm AT guns, 7 x 57-mm AT guns, 109 mortars of various sizes, 17 armored personnel carriers, 3 armored scout cars, 173 trucks and 11 field kitchens were seen with the units.<sup>2</sup>

25X1 Motor vehicles observed at the installation included trucks [redacted]

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3. On 22 March 1954, the camp on Breitscheid Strasse (4344) still quartered about 500 soldiers wearing blue-bordered black opaulots. Three 85-mm AA guns were in the Western AAA emplacements on 18 March 1954.

4. Trains observed being loaded with materiel at the Eberswalde railroad station on 22 March 1954 included one shipment of 5 model SU-249 SP guns, 1 tank hull, and about 30 trucks besides enlisted men in eight boxcars; one shipment of 9 T-34/85 tanks, 3 BA-64 [redacted] 4 half-track vehicles, 14 personnel carriers, 20 trucks, 4 radio trucks, 4 tank trucks and 1 field kitchen; one shipment of four 85-mm AT guns, four 57-mm AT guns, and about 30 trucks; and one shipment of about 50 trucks and field kitchen [redacted] besides about 400 soldiers in boxcars. All trains departed from Eberswalde to the north.

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5. On 22 March 1964, a north-bound train which was loaded with 22 trucks and six 76-mm guns and included one motor with soldiers was passed through Eberswalde from the direction of Bernau. In the morning of 12 March 1964, a train loaded with twelve 20-mm AA guns and 27 trucks was seen at the Kueslin railroad station. At the same time, 12 model M-13 rocket launchers and about 30 trucks were being entrained at the Bernau railroad station.<sup>2</sup>

6. In the morning of 16 March 1964, 16 x 76.2-mm AA guns, 4 flame throwers, numerous trucks, ammunition billeting equipment and one field battery were loaded on two trains at the Eberswalde railroad station. The motor vehicles had approached from Britz.<sup>3</sup>

25X1 1. ☐ Comment. The numerous sidecar motorcycles reported from the 66th AAA Div. Maserne confirms the 51st AAA Regt of the Fourth Gds Mech Div in Eberswalde until 20 March 1964.

25X1 2. ☐ Comment. The two sources observed the departure of units of the 66th AAA Div from the Eberswalde and Bernau railroad stations for division maneuvers in the Mirov-Houzeppin-Friesack area. These shipments were mentioned in previous reports.

25X1 3. ☐ Comment. It is fairly definitely believed that the units involved were elements of the 66th AAA Div (US). The time of departure supports the assumption that troops moved to the Pritz-Moschow area to participate in the exercises of the 7th Gds Mech Div. However, this assumption is still un substantiated.